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# SERIOUS REPORTS FROM CAPE COLONY

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Lades, Dec 25 -"We leare," says Delly Melt, "that the reports of the "that the reports of the in Cape Colony are The invading Boars wing much assistance from the cours and the north

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B'atteres preparations are being selected Jan 8. Ten thousand troops will be gethered in Landon to line the route to Cuckingham.

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does of the dispetches from Cape we, however, describe the raiders doing little harm and as being pidly exclosed by Lord Kitchener's embination. Lord Kitchener is in the heart of the disaffected districts He has the advantage of being per sonally acquainted with local condi tions Last March be supervised the suppression of the ricing which securred there. He le bringing owe thousands of troops from the

The Standard's Cape Town corressondent says the loyalists demand bet martial law shall be proclaimed broughout Cape Colony, but adds : "Such a step is now impossible, owing to the lack of enfleient troops

to enforce it." Civil railway traffic has been one pended largely in all parts of the lony, and the movements of both the Boers and the British are almost seknown in Cape Town Que Boer solemn attacked Steyneburg, but wee repulsed and fled, intrenching itself in the monetains. Another Boer ecommendo captured a party of police at Venterstad. Mounted colonial roope enryrised 800 Boers 15 miles from Burgheredorp, Dec 28. and after a brick exchange of volleys red with a loss of two men

The Cape Town correspondent of

Thirty shousand lepers are reported roop to the United States ?

Boers Get a Good Christmas Dinuer.

Captured Methuen's Christmas Luxaries.

ALSO A SQUADRON OF YEO-Zeerust, Transvaal, Dec 24 -The

Boers ceptured two wagons containing Christmas luxuries destined for the camp of Lord Methuen.

Cape Town, Dec 26 -A squadron the Boers from Brittstown, is reported to have been entrapped There were several casualties. It is said that the remainder of the force was captured.

THE ENGLISH DISTURBED.

London, Dec 27, 2 30 a m .- The paneity and obscurity of the die patches from South Africa give rice to renewed enziety Apparently the disturbed area of Cape Colony ex tends further south than it did last December and Lord Kitchener does not appear to have had much success

partiese and partly by as yet in driving back the invaders.
The war office had received no news last evening of the reported capture of Yeomanny near Britts-town.

A Burgheredorp dispatch has a mysterious reference to "an unfortubant's horse," which resulted in the sounding of "sease fire," and enabled the Boers to occupy all the commanding positions, the British retiring from a difficult predicament

Gen Clemens' encourse against the Boers in the Magaliesberg region is also doubtful, the last dispatch reporting that "it was considered advisable not to furse the Boers from

The British press continues in the male optimience, but the condition of affaire brings home the enormous difficulties that will face Lord Kitch. immence tracte of contry, even when the Boers shall be finally subdued

The Daily Meil, which makes a etrong appeal to the government to oper more troops," cays:

"There is a real risk in being lulled to sleep by carefully censored mes

Leprosy in the Philippines.

Washington, Dec 26 -An appen ded report to Gen MacArthur's re view of the civit affairs of the Philippines for the pest fiscal year, gives some rather startling facts regarding he Pate of Oake Colony the instruction and prevalence of leprosy in the islands

According to the estimation of the Franciscan fathers, says Major Guy L. Edie, the write of the report," there are no less that 80,000 lepers in the archipelago, the major portion of these being in the Viscoyas,

Leproey was introduced in 1688 when the emperor of Japan sent s ship with 150 lepers on board to the Philippines, a present to be cared for by the Catholic pricets. Thus the seed was planted, and as no practical methods were ever adopted to eradicate the disease or prevent its spread, it has taken firm root, and spread into its present formidable

A bouse to house inspection inau gurated lest January found more than a hundred lepers concealed in dwellings These were sent to San Laza ro hospital in Manila, but many others escaped into the surrounding country. A commission is now engaged in the work of selecting a suitable island or islands for the purpose of isolating all the lepers in the archipelago.

Thirty-Oue Cotton Mill Companies Chartered During the Year.

Columbia, Dec 26 - During the ear just closed Secretary of State Cooper granted charters to thirtyone cotton milling companies, whose authorized capital aggregates \$4, 850,000 During the same time permission was given fourteen cotton milling companies to increase their capital, aggregate increase capital authorized being \$2,945,000. During the same period commissions Bank of Anderson and the president the doings of the powers. The Gerwere issued to twelve cotton milling of the Bank of Due West. He also mans today reviewed on the occasion of company corporators who have not had two sisters. He was the first the presentation of flags to two regiauthorized capital will be \$1,495,000.

### FIGHTING IN MEXICO.

El Paso, Texas, Dec 26 - Mexican ared on from anbush near Lawies. about 150 miles from Gen Torres' headfootlossiy wounded.

The Boers and the British.

Newcastle, Natal, Dec 27 .- The Boers celebrated Ohristmas in the bas received a cablegram from Minister district between Standerton and Ingogo Couger at Pekin, announcing that he by more or less determined attacks upon | bad signed the agreement reached by every British garrison along the lines the foreign ministers, but had done so of communication These, bowever, with a written explanatory statement were in all cases recreasfully repulsed At Utrecht the Boer commandant sent government in a demand for whiskey, eigers and demand was ignored, and the Boers instruction he received from the depart mae morning. They were repulsed inclusion in the agreement of some of Yeomanry, which had followed with lose, the British essualties being the more severe language, accepted it slight.

GEN KITCHENER'S REPORT.

London, Dec 27 -The following diepatch has been received from Lord Kitobener:

"Presorie, Dec 26 .- Kooz, with with De Wet's force, bolding a . position in the neighborhood of Leuwkop.

"DeWet hopes to break through and go south again

Colony is apparently headed by our bore as the first, the most important, troops about Reisport Spruit The and the most difficult phase of the Boers' western column is reported to negotiations as to China, for it is not have gone north in two portions, one doubted that the Chinese envoys will towards Priesks and the other through subscribe to this agreement, without Sleydenburg They are being followed amendment.

#### THE BOERS CHECKED.

London, Dec 28, 8 a m .- The latest dispatches from South Africa show that Lord Kitchener has succeeded in holding the invading Boers to check. But be has not been successful in expelling them from Cape Colony, while small commandos continue to display actonishing dering and activity over an immensely wide field.

It is questionable whether his proclaweakaces, and they have a wholesome by the latter to the foreign envoys. dread of De Wet's vengenoes if they

party at home that favors conciliatory terms to the Boers as a steps in the right direction.

Queen Victoria, it is paid, has approved the proposal to institute a new order of Knighthood to reward officers who have served in South Africa. The order will probably be called the Star of Africa

A dispatch from Vryberg, dated Dec 20, says the Boers in considerable numbers were then making an unexpected movement westward They had 150 wagons. The dispatch suggests that they were trekking to Dameraland, although the Boers themselves denied such an intention

### DEATH OF MAJ. WM, H MAULDIN.

Hampton, Dec. 26 -Major Wil liam H Mauldin, the State senator rom Rampton county; died today at 11:25 o'clock, after an illness extending over nearly a month. He died of a complication of typhoid fever and kidney trouble.

Major Mauldin was one of the most energetic business men in the State of South Carolina. He was the sole owner of the Hampton and in which he resided. He was the handed to him the international nate father of the town of Hampton, having done the work necessary to the gallant Confederate soldier, known among his comrades as the "fighting ton legion He was a strong man, promise to pay indemnities an earnest man, and a man generally beloved by those who knew him. During his illness many inquiries have poured into his home from people all over this and other States.

William H Mauldin was 63 years of age He was born is Williamston, and now resides in Anderson. He have been seen in the San Ho country. had two brothers, one of whom died The reports of the various nations a year ago. The other, Mr. B. F. celebrated Christmas in their own Mauldin, is now the cashier of the fashion, each force being interested in yet obtained their charters, whose cousin of Lieut Gov. W. L. Mauld | ments The event was made practically din, of Greenville.

The Spartanburg Herald recently called attention to a very pertinent truth, which is that instead having of ed. No answer has yet been received troops in Senors, Mexico, were recent fire over the reported presence of the to the joint note of the powers. Times telegraphs that scarcely ly stracked by a band of Yaqui Indians, case of smallpox in a community, that Cape Colonists have joined the and four officers and about 30 men were community just ought to go to work and killed outright. The soldiers were vaccionate, which is a sure preventacommunity just ought to go to work and tive of the plague and not nearly so costly as to keep the telegraph wires Count von Waldersee, in a dispatch not seriously. A half dozen buggies officials believe that the time has the Philippiece. Will reversing quarter Col Francis Poinade, of the bot and to have special officers of the from Pekin dated Monday, Dec 24, were smashed. Mr Bennett's loss is come to have a fixed day for the paydiero from the Philippines start leading officers in the army, was board of health rushed around to do says : what the ple themselves sould do. | "The French troops encountred, serious estamite

Statement by Conger.

Washington, Dec 24. - Secretary Hay setting forth the exact position of his

The text of the statement is not Christmas luxuries, failing which he forwarded by Mr Conger, but it is threatened to attack the town. His understood to be based upon the last attacked Utrecht to strong force Christ | ment which, while disapproving the as the best arrangement that could be made at this time It is believed that the United States also, while sanctioning the provisions of the agreement relative to the maintenance of permapent lines of communication, legations guards, and prohibition of the importation of srms into China, indicates Barker, Piloher and White, is engaged clearly that constitutional reasons prevent the executive from making any pledge to take part in the execution of these plans

The signature of the agreement by "The Boers' eastern column in Cape the minister closes what is regarded

Its conclusion has been marked by one of the most curious mistakes in the history of international exchanges, for by a cipher error, the majority of the eigners found to their amasement that they had contracted to de exactly when they did not intend, and mornover, the error was irretrievable.

#### JOINT NOTE PRESENTED.

Pekin, Des 24.-The preliminary joint note was delivered today to the Chinese. Li Hang Chang found that metion will have much effect until Gen be was unable to attend the meeting of

ish minister, Senor B. J De Cologan, The proclamation is approved by the who presented the note, said be would immediately communicate its contents to the Emperor and secured the minis ters that a speedy reply was the desire of the court, as it felt that all China wants peace and prosperity

> ANOTHER ACCOUNT. Paris, December 25-A dispatch to the Haves Agency from Pekin says : "The ministers assembled at the resi dence of Senor B J. De Cologan (the Spanish minister and the doyen of the diplomatic corps) and received Prince Ching, to whom the Spanish minister bacded the joint note of the Powers Li Hung Chang, who is still ill, asked

> to be excused. Prince Ching said : "I have the bonor to secept the note concerning the recetablishment of good relations and will transmit it immediately to the Emperor and communicate to you his reply as soon as received '

### Many (Christians Burned.

Washington, Dec 26 -A cablegram received at the state department from United States Minister Conger dated at Pekin on the 24th inst, states that the first formal meeting between the diplomatio representatives and Prince Ching

took place on the 24th. Ching presented the credentials of himself and Li Hung Chang, who was Branchville railroad and had large unable to attend owing to illness, to interests in the section of the State the diplomatic representatives, who

Our occupancy from a mili of view has terminated and there is no securing of the location of the court disposition to renew it As fer the bouse at that point when the county other powers it is expected that the of Hampton was formed He was a main obstacle they will encounter in main obstacle they will encounter in withdrawing under this condition will be found in the difficulty in obtaining satisquartermaster" of the famous Hamp- factory guarantees upon the Chinese

### CHRISTIANS BURNED.

Pokin, Dec 26 -The Ray-Mr Kelly the Presbyterian missionary, has report ed to Minister Conger the burning by Boxers of 19 Catholio Christians, and Anderson county, and came of the sow says he has received further well known Mauldin family. He confirmation of the burning of native was a son of the Rev. B Frank Christians He says the number is 21 Mauldin. His mother is still living and that thousands of armed Chinese

international. All the generals and their staffs and detachments of their troops were present, with the result that a great military spectacle was witness-

December 22, east of Chochan, be tween Pekin and Pao Ting Fu, a Chinese force numbering 2,500 men men with artillery, The Chinese fled in the direction of Kusa Heien. They suffered losses and left behind, them five standards and four cannon. The Chinose probably consisted of the reunited remnants of a body already dispersed

#### THE AMERICANS LED.

Washington, Dec 26 .- Brig Gen. Haywood, commander of the marine corps, has forwarded to the navy department a letter from Capt. Chas. D. Long, serving with the marines in smallpox now prevailing as would be China, stating that the American maripes were the first to enterthe forbid den city. There has been much controversy as to whether the Russians, Union, Spartanburg, Barnwell, Beau-British, Germans or Americans were fort and Orangeburg For a while first inside the sacred precinets of the during the summer it was confined forbidden city, and this letter is re garded to establishing the claim of the Americans to have been the first on the ling the year, and which county has

#### HE IS NOT SATISFIED WITH SOME TERMS OF JOINT NOTE.

Pekin, Dec 27 -Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, the Chinese peace commissioners, have heard from Emperor Kwang Su. Prince Ching called on the former for consultation, remain ing over au hour. The court objects strengously to reducing the forts, and also to allowing permanent legation guards, which it seems to think, could be made sufficiently large at any time it was desired to menace the court

After the conference it was decided to hold further communication with the court before seeing the ministers.

The British have increased their garrison at Yang Tsun by a hundred men with borses and three guns

A flying column of 1,600 cavalry will scour the country between Tientsin and Yang Taun, in obedience to Field DeWet has been espeared. The Boers the ministers, and his credentials and Marshat Count von Waldersee's orders are likely to regard it as a sign of those of Prince Ching were presented to be on the alert, in view of the French report of an engagement with 2,500 Dibese troops

Col. Tullock's regiment will return to destroy the towns be recently held. This action is taken, owing to the fact that it has been discovered that a number of Boxers unquestionably made them their headquarters The British authorities say they do not expect serious trouble from the Boxers, mainly because they lack arms. Fortunately, the Chinese government feared to trust them with arms, lest a rebellion sgainst the dynasty be undertaken Otherwise the danger might have been serious British soldiers have been found dead outside the Temple of Heaven with bullets in their brains. The murders are believed to have been committed by Chinese

A detachment of the Sixth United States cavelry, Ninth infantry and Fifth artillery will leave tomorrow to investigate the reported burning of native Christians by Boxers, as reported by the Rev. Mr. Kelley, the Presbyterian missionary

The expedition will be commanded by Lieut. Col. Theodore Wint, of the Sixth cavalry.

### Hubbard's Cotton Letter.

New York, Dec 27 .- Liverpool advices came decidedly better than anticipated in view of the heavy interior receipts of yesterday. This caused our market to open somewhat better, but without attracting any outside buying, and values slowly eased through arbitrage buying and absorbed the liquidation brought about by the movement Receipts at the interior towns and ports are heavy in comparison with last season, and unless they fall off it will be diffi cult to attract outside buying. The India crop is beginning to move at Bombay The receipts are 63.000. against 36 000 bales last season Our stock seems likely to continue to increase, but the trade expect the south to hold its cotton and therefore does not anticipate any immediate weakness despite the movement.

Hubbard Bros & Co

### BIG FIREWORKS EXPLO SION.

Laurens Dec 23 - Fireworks ignited at about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon in front of J. S Bennett's store, when the square was alive with balf a thousand people and hundreds of vehicles of every pattern and every possible sort of team Cannon crackers and all manner of smalle: fireworks simultaneously exploded ; the fire hells rang and the fire department was out in a ment of taxes this year, it is not jiffy. Mules, men, women and children likely that it will be given, Gov. became excited and the square had such | McSweeney yesterday stated that he a commotion as the century has not certainly would not recommend an known in this town When quiet was extension this year. He has the restored fortunately the damage was power to extend and this announce-THE FRENCH HAVE A FIGHT. found to be small. Mr Clinton Shell, a ment, of course, means that the matelerk of Mr Bennett, was severely burt ter goes to the legislature after the Berlin, Dec 26 .- Field Marshal in the face by a rocket, but, it is hoped, time has expired. Many of the about \$75 It was near being a most ment of taxes and let it be finally

## Smallpox in the State.

#### DR EVANS REVIEWS THE SITUATION.

Dr James Evans has made a preliminary report to Gov MoSweeney in regard to the condition of smallpox in this State, which gives a complete review of the situation and the conditions existing at both the opening and close of the year. The report shows that there is not as much generally supposed

There is more or less of the discase in the counties of Fairfield, almost entirely to Union county, which has not been free from it durbeen the focus from which the adjoining counties have been infected with one or two exceptions, where it came from North Carolina There are at present a few cases on certain sea islands, the origin of which has not yet been traced.

The lack of power to enforce general vaccination is one of the greatest drawbacks to the work of the State Board of Health. The disease now prevailing is of a more virulent type than heretofore.

### WHISKEY AND PISTOLS.

Muskogee, I. T., Dec 25 -John -Tiger, a full blood Indian, a ferryman on the Arkaneas River, two miles south of Enfants, went to Bafents with his wife this afternoon and, while intoxicated, met L. B. Roper and threatened to kill bim Roper immediately struck Tiger with a board, no words passing between them. Tiger went to his buggy, got a Winchester and same back to kill Roper, but failed to find him Enraged, he proceeded to shoot every one be saw, shooting Jesse Beck through the hips and killing him; shooting and killing David Porter. Chief Porter, and a mover named Johnson, on his way to Missouri in a covered wagon with his family. Bud Taylor, aged 18, was shot through the shoulder and is not expected to live. Tiger immediately jumped on a horse and tried to escape, but was obased three miles, when he jumped off bie horse, went behind a tree and began roting. Deputy Marshal Johnson, 'n returned the fire, struck Tiger in e arm. The murderer surrendered and was brought to Eufaula. Tiger's arm will have to be ampatated. Great indignation prevaile over the free sale of liquers and firearms. J Smith, who lives two miles south of Chootaw, became involved in a quarrel with T. Thompson over the affair at Eufaula and began shooting, Thompson being mortally wounded

### A SUBMARINE TELE. PHONE.

Key West, Pis, December 25 -An interesting experiment has just been made bere, which demonstrates conclusively that a proper telephone cable communication can be had with foreign countries. In the presence of several prominent people the officers of the Southern Bell Telephone Company connected the 'phone wires here and at Havana with the Gulf cable between the two cities For a few minutes a roaring noise prevented any communication, but finally this subsided and the officials here heard Havana distinctly, the words: "I cannot understand you," being clearly transmitted, flavana however, failed to clearly understand The first experiment was regarded as highly successful.

### A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave Gen Burnham of Machins, Me, when he dectors said she could not live till morning," writes Mra S H Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night "All thought she must soon die from pneumonia, but she begged for Dr King's New D scovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use c unpletely cured ber." This marvelous medicine is guar. anteed to cure all threat, hest and long diseases. Only 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free at J F W DeLorme's drug store

### NO EXTENSION.

Though nearly every one in the State believes that there is to be an extension of the time for the pay. understood .- State, Dec. 27.